



## USDA Forest Service

Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests  
Grand Valley Ranger District



### Notice of Proposed Project

#### Spruce Beetle and SAD Treatments

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stands on the Grand Mesa and the Uncompahgre Plateau. Treatment of spruce beetle in fested stands is needed to help reduce the exponential increase of the spruce beetle population, and also to salvage dead and dying timber. Additionally, the health condition of numerous aspen stands on the district is degrading rapidly due to Sudden Aspen Decline (SAD) and regenerating key stands is desirable.

Comments concerning this proposal must be submitted within 30-days of the publication of this notice in the Grand Junction Daily Sentinel. Comments can be received at the following places:

Written Comments via the U.S. Postal Service or hand delivered:

Grand Valley District Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments

Attention: Connie Clementson

2777 Crossroads Blvd Unit 1

Grand Junction, CO 81506

Written Comments via e-mail:

To: comments-rocky-mountain-gmug-

grande-valley@fs.fed.us

Subject: Grand Valley District Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments.

Written Comments via facsimile:

(970) 263-5819

Attention: Connie Clementson,

Grand Valley District Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments.

Oral Comments via telephone or

in person during business hours

(Monday through Friday, 8am -

5pm):

Connie Clementson, Grand Valley

District Ranger

2777 Crossroads Blvd Unit 1

Grand Junction, Colorado 81506

(970) 242-8211

In accordance with 36 CFR

215.6(a)(3), individuals or organi-

zations wishing to be eligible to

appeal must comment during this

30-day comment period and

provide the following information:

name and address, title of

the proposed action, and specific

substantive comments on

the proposed action, along with

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supporting reasons that the Responsible Official should consider in reaching a decision. For appeal eligibility each individual or representative from each organization submitting comments must either sign the comments or verify identity upon request. Those submitting electronic comments (fax or e-mail) may submit a scanned signature. Oral comments must be provided at the Responsible Official's office during normal business hours via telephone or in person, or if during non-business hours, must be at an official agency function, which is designed to elicit public comment.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposed action and will be available for public inspection. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, those who submit anonymous comments will not have standing to appeal the subsequent decisions under 36CFR Part 215. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27 (d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that, under the FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requestor of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requestor that the comments may be re-submitted with or without name and address within 15 days.

To obtain more specific information contact Kevin H. Kyle at (970) 263-5829 or khkyle@fs.fed.us.

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**LEGAL NOTICE of  
PROPOSED ACTION  
OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT**  
Grand Valley District Spruce Beetle and Sudden Aspen Decline Treatments  
The Grand Valley Ranger District of the Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre and Gunnison National Forests is inviting review and comment on proposed treatments that would occur in affected spruce and aspen